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| 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-8)  |   | the statutory period of three months    |  |  |  |  |
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| 5. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interfere of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claim  |   | e the period for seeking court review   |  |  |  |  |
| 7. The reason(s) below:  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
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